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Evan Kratzer is an associate in the Palo Alto office of Gibson Dunn. He is a member of the firm's Intellectual Property; Privacy, Cybersecurity and Data Innovation; and Artificial Intelligence practices.

Evan has represented clients in patent disputes in federal district court, before the International Trade Commission, and on appeal to the Federal Circuit. He has experience litigating a range of technologies, including medical devices, telecommunications, cryptocurrency, steel manufacturing, robotics, aerial imagery, and transportation software. Evan has experience in all phases of patent litigation from pre-suit diligence through discovery, claim construction, trial, and post-trial. He has taken and defended fact and expert depositions, coordinated offensive and defensive discovery, and drafted case-dispositive motions and appellate briefs. Evan has particular expertise with Section 101 of the Patent Act, having drafted multiple successful case-dispositive 101 motions, led strategy for an evidentiary hearing on ineligibility, and obtained summary affirmance of ineligibility judgments from the Federal Circuit.

Evan also advises clients on matters relating to data privacy and AI legal issues, including biometric privacy, the intersection of AI and intellectual property issues, and the global generative AI regulatory environment. He has helped clients develop AI governance policies, advised on draft legislation, and worked on responses to congressional investigations.

Evan maintains an active pro bono docket focused on veterans benefits appeals and immigration proceedings. He has obtained years in unpaid benefits for a veteran, helped clients seek green cards, and defended a client in immigration removal proceedings.

Prior to joining Gibson Dunn, Evan served as a law clerk for the Honorable Tiffany P. Cunningham of the United States Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit and the Honorable James V. Selna of the United States District Court for the Central District of California. He earned his law degree from Stanford Law School, graduating with high pro bono distinction. While in law school, Evan was the Online Projects Editor of the *Stanford Law Review*, the Lead Articles Editor of the *Stanford Law and Policy Review*, and a member of the Juelsgaard Intellectual Property and Innovation Clinic. He also received the Jay M. Spears Award, given to recognize outstanding service to the *Stanford Law Review*. Prior to law school, Evan earned an A.B. in Public and International Affairs from Princeton University, from which he graduated *summa cum laude* and as a member of Phi Beta Kappa.

He is admitted to practice law in the state of California and before the United States Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit, the United States Court of Appeals for Veterans Claims, the United States District Court for the Central District of California, the United States District Court for the Northern District of California, and the United States District Court for the Eastern District of Texas.



Capabilities

Intellectual Property
Appellate and Constitutional Law
Artificial Intelligence
Life Sciences
Litigation
Media, Entertainment, and Technology
Privacy, Cybersecurity, and Data Innovation
Tech and Innovation
Trials

Credentials

Education

Stanford University - 2020 Juris Doctor
Princeton University - 2016 Bachelor of Arts

Admissions

California Bar

Clerkships

US Court of Appeals, Federal Circuit, Hon. Tiffany P. Cunningham, 2021 - 2022
USDC, Central District of California, Hon. James V. Selna, 2020 - 2021

Evan is the incoming president of the Board of Directors of the Asian Law Alliance, a Silicon Valley community legal services non-profit. He is also a member of the Advisory Council of the Efron Center for the Study of America at Princeton University.

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